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Health and Sanitary Conditions
for the Year 1973

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TO THE CHAIRMAN AND COUNCILLORS OF THE MABLETHORPE AND

SUTTON URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report for the year 1973.

It was thought that the report for 1972 would be the last owing to re-organisation but we have been able to produce a shortened report for 1973 as a matter of completeness.

Total live births in the year numbered 71. This gives a crude live birth rate per 1,000 of the estimated population of 10.5. When standardised so that the figure can be compared with that for England and Wales we got a figure of 13.9. The Birth Rate for England and Wales was 13.7. The standardised Birth Rate thus remains slightly above the figure for England and Wales.

Illegitimate live births amounted to 15% of the total live births. The figure for England and Wales was 9%. The percentage of illegitimate births in the district last year was 17%.

There were 133 deaths during the year. This gives a crude death rate per thousand of the estimated population of 19.7.

When standardised for comparative purposes, we obtain a standardised death rate of 12.4 per thousand standard population. The death rate for England and Wales was 12.0 per thousand population.

This follows the general trend for the Standardised Death Rate to be above the figure for England and Wales.

There was one infant death in 1973, giving an Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 total live births of 14. The figure for England and Wales is 17.

There were 23 deaths from Cancer in 1973. This is in keeping with the figures of recent years

The commonest cause of death in men was Coronary Type Heart Disease. The next commonest causes were equally Cerebro Vascular Disease and Malignant Disease (excluding Leukaemia).

In women the commonest cause of death was Coronary Type Heart Disease and then Malignant Disease (exluding Leukaemia).

Only a few cases of infectious disease were notified during the year.

I would like to conclude by thanking Mr. Long and Staff for all their help through the year. Also to thank the Chairman and members of the Public Health Committee for their interest in the work of the Health Department.

I remain,

Your obedient servant,

J.E. LEE

Medical Officer of Health

SOCIAL CONDITIONS AND GENERAL STATISTICS

1) Area of the District in Acres 7,193 including 717 acres of foreshore.

2) Population (estimated at mid year) 6,750

3) Density of population per acre (excluding foreshore where applicable) 1.04

4) Number and Rateable Value of inhabited houses

	Houses	R.V.
Category I	3,918	£496,667
Category II (2010)	71	£30,799
Category II (2040)	6	£7,740
Category II (2050)	37	£14,451
	4,032	£549,451

5) Product of penny rate £8,265.

The Population of Mablethorpe and Sutton since 1960

Year	Population	
1973	6,750	Registrar General's estimated figures for mid year
1972	6,340	
1971	6,156	(1971 Census)
1970	5,710	Registrar General's estimated figures for mid year
1969	5,570	
1968	5,520	
1967	5,580	
1966	5,550	
1965	5,460	
1964	5,400	
1963	5,280	
1962	5,260	
1961	5,200	
1960	5,230	

Vital Statistics

(Note: Figures in brackets show corresponding rates for England and Wale

Births.

(a) Live	Total	Male	Female
Legitimate	60	25	35
Illegitimate	11	7	4
	71	32	39

Live Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated population 10.5

Standardised Birth Rate for Comparative purposes (Comparability Factor 1.

... 13.9 (13.7)

Illegitimate Live Births (per cent of Total Live Births) ... 15.0 (9)

(b) Still Births	Total	Male	Female
Legitimate	-	-	-
Illegitimate	-	-	-

Still Birth Rate per 1,000 of estimated population - nil
Still Birth Rate per 1,000 (live and still births) - nil

Deaths

Total	Male	Female
133	70	63

Crude Death Rate per 1,000 of estimated population - 19.7

Standardised Death Rate. (Comparability Factor .63) - 12.4 (12.0)

Infant Deaths

	Male	Female
(a) Under 12 months		
Legitimate	1	-
Illegitimate	-	-

Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 total live births - 14 (17)
Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 Legitimate Births - 17 (16)
Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 Illegitimate Births - - (22)

	Male	Female
(b) Under 4 weeks		
Legitimate	-	-
Illegitimate	-	-

Neo-Natal Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live Births - (11)

	Male	Female
(c) Under 1 week		
Legitimate	-	-
Illegitimate	-	-

Early Neo-Natal Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births - (10)

Perinatal Mortality Rate (Still Births and Deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live and still births) - (21)

Maternal Deaths including Abortion Nil

Table I showing ages at death for the past 5 years and the average for that period compared with those for 1973.

Year	Under 1 year	1/4	5/14	15/24	25/34	35/44	45/54	55/64	65/74	75+	Total
1968	1	-	1	1	-	-	5	10	26	58	102
1969	1	-	-	1	-	2	6	21	42	52	125
1970	1	1	1	-	-	2	3	19	43	45	115
1971	-	-	-	1	1	2	4	11	46	52	117
1972	-	-	-	1	-	-	3	21	33	62	120
Average Number	1	1	1	1	1	2	5	17	38	54	116
1973	1	-	-	-	1	-	5	20	37	69	133

Table 2

Standardised Death Rate for Mablethorpe and Sutton U.D.C. for the previous 12 years and 1973.

Year	Standardised Death Rate. (Deaths per 1,000 Standardised Population)	Death Rate for England & Wales (per 1,000 population)
1961	13.2	12.0
1962	11.69	11.9
1963	12.3	12.2
1964	10.65	11.3
1965	10.7	11.5
1966	12.7	11.7
1967	13.7	11.2
1968	13.3.	11.9
1969	15.9	11.9
1970	14.5	11.7
1971	13.8	11.6
1972	11.0	12.1
1973	12.4	12.0

Average Standardised Death Rate for Mablethorpe & Sutton U.D.C. over the past 13 years including 1973 = 12.7

Average Death Rate for England & Wales over the past 13 years = 11.7

Table 3

Causes of Death in the Area during 1972 and 1973

	1972		1973	
	M	F	M	F
1. Meningococcal Infection	-	-	1	-
2. Malignant Neoplasm - Oesophagus	-	1	1	-
3. " " Stomach	1	-	1	-
4. " " Intestine	1	2	-	2
5. " " Larynx	2	-	-	-
6. " " Lung & Bronchus	2	1	5	-
7. " " Breast	-	2	1	4
8. " " Uterus	-	1	-	-
9. " " Prostate	3	-	2	-
10. " " Leukaemia	-	-	1	-
11. Other Malignant Neoplasms	1	3	2	5
12. Diabetes Mellitus	1	-	-	1
13. Anaemias	-	2	-	-
14. Mental Disorders	-	1	-	-
15. Multiple Sclerosis	-	1	-	-
16. Other Diseases of Nervous System	1	-	1	-
17. Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	1	1	1	-
18. Hypertensive Disease	1	2	1	3
19. Ischaemic Heart Disease	20	8	18	12
20. Other forms of Heart Disease	5	1	3	8
21. Cerebrovascular Disease	4	18	12	10
22. Other Diseases of Circulatory System	1	6	5	6
23. Influenza	-	1	-	-
24. Pneumonia	1	-	2	1
25. Bronchitis and Emphysema	3	2	2	2
26. Other Diseases of Respiratory System	1	1	1	-
27. Peptic Ulcer	-	1	-	-
28. Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia	2	-	2	-
29. Other Diseases of Digestive System	-	3	1	1
30. Hyperplasia of Prostate	2	-	-	-
31. Other Diseases of Genito-Urinary System	1	1	-	1
32. Congenital Anomalies	-	1	-	-
33. Symptoms and ill defined conditions	-	2	3	6
34. Motor Vehicle Accidents	-	-	-	1
35. All other accidents	-	1	4	-
36. Suicide and Self Inflicted Injuries	1	-	-	-
37. All other External Causes	1	1	-	-
	56	64	70	63

Table 4

Anatomical Sites of Malignant Neoplasms causing Deaths in 1973

Site	Male	Female	Total
Oesophagus	1	-	1
Stomach	1	-	1
Intestine	-	2	2
Lung and Bronchus	5	-	5
Breast	1	4	5
Prostate	2	N.A.	2
Other Malignant Neoplasms etc.	2	5	7
	12	11	23

Table 5

Deaths from Malignant Neoplasms. Years 1964-1968 (where the classification was only into 5 groups)

Site	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
Stomach	1	1	-	-	3
Lung & Bronchus	3	2	3	5	6
Uterus	-	1	-	1	-
Breast	-	2	1	1	1
Other Sites	5	11	14	8	8
Total	9	17	18	15	18

Table 6

Deaths from Malignant Neoplasms - Years 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972 and 1973. (where the classification was into 10 groups)

Site	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973
Buccal Cacity & Pharynx	-	-	-	-	-
Oesophagus	-	2	-	1	1
Stomach	2	4	8	1	1
Intestine	4	2	2	3	2
Larynx	-	1	-	2	-
Lung & Bronchus	7	9	5	3	5
Prostate	-	-	2	3	2
Uterus	1	1	-	1	-
Breast	5	1	1	2	5
Other Sites	5	6	4	4	7
Total	24	26	22	20	23

Notified Cases of Infectious Diseases 1973

Disease	Cases Notified
Infective Hepatitis	2
Salmonella Infection	1
Measles	1
Pulmonary T.B.	1

New Cases from Mablethorpe and Sutton attending the Special Clinic at Grimsby.

	Syphilis	Gonorrhoea	Non Veneral Diseases
Male	-	1	6
Female	1	-	-

General Provisions of Health Services in the Area

Laboratory Facilities

These are provided by the Public Health Laboratory at Lincoln.

Samples of water, milk, ice cream and other items are subjected to bacteriological testing. I would like to thank Dr. J.G. Wallace and staff for all their help through the year.

Clinic Provisions.

A Health Clinic for infants and toddlers is provided, where the mother is advised about the care of the child and where its subsequent development can be kept under review up to the age of 5 years when it starts school. Immunization is provided against diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus, poliomyelitis and measles. Also against smallpox for those who may need it.

The Cytology Clinic continues to be held on a Thursday morning once a month. There is a good demand for this clinic. As well as new patients attending, the Doctor is getting patients attending for 5 yearly repeat examinations.

At the Clinic, a specimen is taken from the neck of the womb by scraping. From this sample the laboratory can check whether the body tissues in the area are showing abnormal growth. This enables the occasional case which is potentially malignant to be dealt with before it has shown really malignant changes.

To be really effective the Cytology examination should be carried out on every woman in the population and at regular intervals, but particularly in the age groups 35-65 years. To help get a comprehensiv coverage of the population the District Nurses have been trained to tal cervical smears from persons in their own homes, when for some particul reason they are not able to get up to the Clinic.

The Clinic is held by a lady doctor and patients at the same time are given an internal examination and a breast examination.

An appointment can be made by either posting a request to the Clinic, 97, Victoria Road, Mablethorpe or by leaving a message on the robophone, Mablethorpe 3353.

The Mothercraft and Relaxation classes have been suspended as a temporary measure as a result of staff shortage and also lack of suppor

Chiropody sessions for the elderly are held by appointment. The Social Services has opened a branch office upstairs at the Clinic, 97, Victoria Road, Mablethorpe. It is open to the public on a Tuesday and a Thursday from 9.30. a.m. - 12. mid day.

It is also the base for a peripatetic warden for the elderly.

Times of Clinic

Infant Welfare	Thursday	2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Toddlers	2nd and 4th Thursday of each month	9.45 a.m. - 12 noon
Welfare Food Distribution	Thursday	2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Cytology	3rd Thursday in month	9.30 a.m. by appointment.
Chiropody	Monday	a.m. and p.m. by appointment.
Tufty Club	2nd and 4th Tuesdays	2 - 3 p.m.
Infant Hearing Tests	1st Thursday	a.m. by appointment
Social Services: Office Upstairs 97 Victoria Road, Mablethorpe.	Open Tuesday & Thursdays Telephone 2670	9.30 - 12 noon

To: The Chairman and Members of the Mablethorpe and Sutton U.D.C.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting my report for 1973, dealing with the environmental health services, for inclusion in the Medical Officer's Annual Report for the same period.

This is the final report to be presented to the Mablethorpe and Sutton Urban District Council. As from the 1st April, 1974 the Urban District ceases to exist and becomes part of the East Lindsey District Council and so Local Government history is written.

For the 36th year of contributing to the annual report, I had intended to look back on a life-time's work and quote statistics showing the progress made over the years, but nothing can be gained by looking backwards. However, I did re-read the annual reports dating back to 1926 and found that therein, is a complete year by year record of the progress made in the field of Public Health.

The provision of public water supplies and sewers, the gradual conversion of pail closets to water closets, the abolition of cesspools, the collection of house and trade refuse from the horse and cart era to the present modern system, the disposal of refuse by burning to proper control tipping, the improvement of milk supplies from the untreated raw milk delivered by hand milk pails into jugs and basins to the modern heat treated milk supply now available, the dramatic improvement in food hygiene, the erradication of tuberculosis from milk and meat, the development of food preservation from the days of salting the pig to the modern deep freezing, house building and house improvements - the improvement in working conditions in all types of trade and industry.

The ability of Local Government and its staff to cope with conditions of war, the East Coast Flood of 1953, recessions and good times are among items shown in these reports and I would commend students or anyone interested in the history of the Urban District to read them.

Following these basic improvements in the town life, came the quick development of the past ten years with its bungalows, houses and chalet estates and the desirable improvement in the Holiday Industry with its large caravan sites.

So we come to the end of the Urban District, for which so many Councillors and staff have served the community so well for the past fifty years. As I have said earlier nothing can be achieved by looking back, so the statistics remain written in the annual reports, whilst we that are left and the young people entering the service look forward to the exciting new opportunities that will present themselves to the members and staff of the new authority.

To conclude this preface to the last annual report, I take the opportunity of thanking the many Chairmen and all Members of the Public Health and Housing Committees for their continued support and help throughout the long years we have worked together.

I sincerely thank Dr. J. E. Lee, Medical Officer of Health for his kindness, his gentlemanly consideration, full loyal support during the time we have been together. I am also most grateful for the co-operation and help of the Chief Officers and staff of the Urban District during the past years.

Yours sincerely,

C. V. LONG

Public Health Inspector and Housing Manager

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Water Supply

The quality and quantity of the water has been satisfactory throughout the year. Difficulties did arise during theearly part of 1974 due to a collapse in the bore at the Maltby works, this was quickly put right by the Water Board. Thesehappenings give a sharp reminder that constant vigilance is always required.

Drainage and Sewage Works

The new works are producing a good effluent, but they are proving to be quite expensive to run and maintain. In spite of the fact that the works are situated in an isolated part of the area and that they are being efficiently and properly maintained, several complaints of smells have been received, particularly durin g the heat treatment process. This nuisance has yet to be resolved. The flat nature of the area does cause an unusual number of obstructed drains and sewers.

Statistical Information

No. of houses with privy vaults (farms)	Nil
No. of houses with pail closets	12
No. of houses with water closets in the district	4020
No. of closets repaired	51
No. of drains examined or exposed for inspection	124
No. of R.W.P.'s and waste pipes repaired	23
No. of drains found obstructed and repaired	65
No. of cesspools or septic tanks abolished during the year	2

Sewer Extensions

Several new lengths of sewer have been laid on the new housing estates, but once again I draw attention to the serious need for sewers inthe Grift Bank and White Row Lane areas. I am very disappointed that these schemes have once again been delayed by the economic situation and I would commend to the new authority to look at these schemes at the earliest possible date.

Refuse Collection and Disposal

The weekly collection of domestic and trade refuse has been maintained throughout the year. As I mentioned in last years report, an additional refuse collection vehicle and collection should be introduced into the system. The growth of the town and the increase in the amount of refuse is such that the present system cannot cope without long hours of overtime, particularly during the peak season. A new lorry has been ordered but it is unlikely it will be delivered before the end of April. In the meantime, no doubt, the new Authority will introduce some form of bonus system, thereby encouraging the men to maintain the weekly collection.of refuse.

The present method of disposal has proved satisfactory throughout the year and hascaused no particular problems. I can foresee some complaints from the surrounding areas owing to a new bungalow estate being developed in close proximity to the tipping site.

Civic Amenities Act, 1967

This Act provides for the removal and disposal of vehicles abandoned on t highways and private land. Four vehicles have been dealt with informally and one abandoned motor car was dealt with in accordance with the powers provided bythe Act.

Damage by Pests Act, 1949

The survey of the district for the location of rat infestations and the subsequent destruction of rats and mice, continued throughout the year. Permar baiting points have been maintained and have again proved well worth the effort made.

General Inspections

Type of Visits	Non Agricultural	Agricultural
Complaints and nearby premises that were inspected	119	3
No. of above found infested		
(1) Rats	65	2
(2) Mice	37	1
Total No. of properties inspected including surveys and re-visits	1092	15
No. of above found infested		
(1) Rats	31	3
(2) Mice	6	8
Sewers found infested	Nil	

Nuisances

Total number of nuisances during the year	473
(1) Abated as a result of informal action	469
(2) Reported to the Council - Statutory Notices issued	3
- Statutory Notices not issued	1

Details of Nuisances abated

	After informal information	After statutory notice or report
Refuse	23	-
Foul ditches, ponds and stagnant water	1	-
Drainage	45	-
Dangerous premises	2	2
Miscellaneous	404	2

Factories Act

We have one large factory in the district and it is pleasing to note that this is quite a thriving concern and continues to extend in size. A further small factory is also developing and continues to increase its labour force. From the deposited plans we can look forward to at least another factory being built on our industrial estate. The principal industries of the area are of course the holiday and catering trades, together with agricultural on the western side of the area. The small workshops and other factories are ancillary to these trades.

A copy of the annual return required by the Act is set out on the following pages.

Premises (1)	No. on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspection (3)	Written Notices (4)	Occupier Prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which section 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 are to be enforced by the Local Authority	1	-	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	31	49	2	-
(iii) Other premises in which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (Excluding out-workers premises)	10	4	-	-
T O T A L	42	52	2	-

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				No. of cases in which prose-cutions were instituted
			Referred		
	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	Inspector	
	(1)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Want of cleanliness (S1)	1	1	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable Temperature (S3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate Ventilation (S4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S7)					
(a) insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	1	1	-	-	-
(c) not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Otheroffences against the Act (not including offences relating to out-work)	-	-	-	-	-
T O T A L	2	2	-	-	-

Poisonous Waste Act, 1972

Particular attention has been paid to the proper disposal of poisonous wastes in accordance with the above Act. The factories concerned have been inspected and conference called with management. In one case, it was found necessary for the poisonous waste to be dealt with by disposal through the Humberside Waste Company who in turn arranged for this poisonous material to be taken to safe tippinggrounds in the South of England.

Pet Animals Act, 1951

An application for the renewal of a licence to keep a pet shop was received and approved.

Severalroutine visits have been made during the year and the premises and personnel were found to be satisfactory on all occasions.

Disinfestation and Disinfection

Disinfection is carried out only at the request of the local medical practitioners. Several complaints of ants, wasps, cockroaches and silverfish were again dealt with. One caravan was the subject of disinfestation following complaint of bed bugs.

Office, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1969

Details of registration, general inspection and analysis of work-places of persons employed in registered premises are set out below:-

Class of Premises	Newly registered premises during the year	No. of premises registered at end of year	No. of registered premises receiving one or more general inspections
Offices	-	31	-
Retail Shops	3	124	25
Wholesale Shops	-	3	-
Catering Premises	5	57	37
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-	-
Total	8	215	62

Total number of inspections = 100

Analysis of Persons employed in registered premises

Class of workplace	No. of persons employed
Offices	110
Retail Shops	344
Wholesale	10
Catering Premises	323
Canteens	-
Fuel Storage Depots	-
TOTAL	787
Total Males	291
Total Females	496

Two accidents were reported during the year. These were only minor accidents.

Miscellaneous Samples

(a) Swimming baths

4 samples were submitted for bacteriological examination during the year, all were found satisfactory.

The swimming pools connected to the local schools have been satisfactory throughout the year.

(b) Paddling Pools

2 samples were submitted for examination, one was found satisfactory and one unsatisfactory.

General

Several complaints of noise have been dealt with informally during the year under the Noise Abatement Act, 1960. These complaints range from misuse of radios, bingo calling, and the misuse of sound relaying equipment in club entertainment, These complaints arise mainly from thoughtlessness rather than any intention to cause nuisance. There are no offensive trades or knackers yards in the district.

Once again many miscellaneous visits have been made during the year,cover all types of complaints and requests for help and advice.

HOUSING

Improvement Grants

Since the scheme started a total of £80,333.50 has been granted to the end of the year, This has been granted for 227 discretionary grants and 52 Standard grants.

This year has seen an increase in the number of applications for grants, 39 as against thirty last year. A large number of enquiries have been made, but once again so many people think that grants are made for repairs and as I mentioned last year, this does cause some concern to the applicants, when it is turned down, particularly in view of the rather mis-leading publicity given to improvement grants.

I am conscious of the fact that some people are taking advantage of these improvement grants to make a profit, but at long last the Government have given the necessary powers to control the matter. These powers are being used well by the Housing Committee.

Housing Act, 1969

Four Qualification Certificates were issued last year.

Common Lodging Houses

No common lodging houses exist in the district.

Protection from Eviction Act, 1964

Again many people have been advised on their rights on the question of eviction and the appropriate pamphlet issued in each case. In all cases, furnished houses let on a short term basis for the winter have been involved.

Number of Houses

Total number of new houses erected during the year.

(1)	By the Local Authority	Nil
(2)	By other Local Authorities	Nil
(3)	By other bodies or persons	132
(4)	Number allocated for replacing houses subject to demolition orders	Nil

Housing Repairs and Rent Act, 1954-57

No. of certificates of disrepairs issued	Nil
No. of undertakings accepted	Nil

Inspection of Dwelling Houses during the year

(a)	Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	102
(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	180

Remedy of Defects during the year without service of formal notices

Number of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officer	34

(1) Action under Statutory Powers during the year

(a) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied. Nil

(b) Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices Nil

(i) By owners ... Nil (ii) By Local Authority in default of owners Nil

(2) Proceedings under the Housing Acts

(a) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs ... ... Nil

(b) Number of dwelling houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:

(i) By Owners ... Nil (ii) By Local Authority in default of owners Nil

(iii) Number of unfit houses purchased by Local Authority in accordance with Housing Acts Nil

(3) Slum Clearance - Proceedings under the Housing Acts

(a) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made (individual unfit only) Nil

(b) Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders (individual unfit houses only) 2

(c) Number of dwelling houses, or parts subject to Closing Orders Nil

(d) Number of dwelling houses on which undertakings were accepted Nil

(e) Number of dwelling houses included in confirmed Clearance Orders Nil

(f) Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance thereof Nil

(g) Total number of dwelling houses on which Demolition Orders are operative and which are still occupied except under the provisions of Section 34, 35 and 46 of the Housing Act, 1957 Nil

(h) Total number of dwelling houses occupied under Section 34, 35 and 46 of the Housing Act, 1936 Nil

(i) Houses demolished or closed voluntarily by owners which would otherwise have been the subject of Statutory action to secure demolition or closure. Nil

(4) Nissen Huts or similar Hutments

(a)	Number still occupied	Nil
(b)	Date by which it is anticipated occupants will be re-housed	N/A

(5) Estimated number of dwellings excluding those under paragraph (4) above, remaining to be dealt with under:-

(a)	The Housing Act, 1957, Section 16 and 18	Nil
(b)	The Housing Act, 1957, Section 42	Nil

Housing Acts - Overcrowding

(a)	(i)	Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	Nil
	(ii)	Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year	Nil
(b)	(i)	Number of persons concerned in such cases	Nil
	(ii)	Number of families dwelling therein	Nil
	(iii)	Number of persons dwelling therein	Nil

Housing Acts, 1949-59

Number of dwellings for which application for grant has been received	(a)	Standard Grant	34
	(b)	Discretionary Grant	7
Number of dwellings subject to grant	(a)	Standard Grant	34
	(b)	Discretionary Grant	7
Number of houses owned by Local Authority which have been the subject of Grant Aid by the Ministry.			4
No. of visits re Grant Works			68
Total number of grants to end of the year	(a)	Standard Grants	52
	(b)	Discretionary Grants	227

Council Housing

The number of applications remain approximately the same as last year and so does the turnover of houses. This gives a waiting period of approximately two to three years for normal cases.

Once again, the Social Services Department have made many requests for help, but unfortunately owing to the limited amount of resources we have not been able to help in every case, regard must be had to our local people. The exchange with other Authorities continues to be popular but in every case we have received retired people, which adds to the problem of an ageing population.

The amount of repairs continues to be about the same although the costs have risen to at least 50% more owing to the increased cost of labour and materials.

Movable Dwellings

(a) The Caravan industry has again catered for large numbers of holiday makers. Generally speaking, I consider the sites are well conducted, and in general terms comply with licence conditions. There is, however, one site that has become overcrowded and will need attention.

I again appeal to caravan owners to provide in each caravan a small fire extinguisher. This will add to the general safety on the caravan sites.

(b) Tents

The established tenting sites did cope with large numbers of tents during the peak period, but they were obviously overcrowded at the peak holiday weeks. Here again, I stress the need for fire extinguishers to be carried by tenters.

(c) General

I again repeat that the time has now arrived for the Local Authori and the Planning Authorities to seriously consider the allocation of land for both touring caravans and tents. In my opinion these sites should be under the control of the Local Authority. The effect of not having adequate sites for these purposes is to cause overcrowding on the permane caravan and tenting sites.

Chalet Development

The chalet development continues to increase bringing with it facilities such as swimming pools, paddling pools, clubs, shops and cafes All these facilities have increased the work of the department and in particular the collection of refuse.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

Milk

The milk supplies of the district are under the control of the County Council and I am informed by the County Health Inspector that all samples and routine checks at the dairies have been satisfactory.

The use of cartoned milk has increased, particularly on the carava sites and supermarkets. Apart from the increase in the amount of refuse to be collected no adverse comment can be made of this development. No complaints have been received.

Ice Cream

Ice cream sold in the district has again been generally satisfacto Soft ice cream machines and temporary staff, however, need constant attention.

No. of manufacturers on register	1
No. of premises licenced for the sale of ice cream	76
No. of inspections made	96
No. of premises using soft ice cream machines	6

Number of results of samples taken:-

Grade 1	15
Grade 2	1
Grade 3	Nil
Grade 4	Nil

The Liquid Egg (Pasteurization) Regulations, 1963

There are no egg pasteurization plants in the district.

Bakehouses

Number in district	3
Number of contraventions found	1
Number of contraventions remedied	1
Number of visits	9

All bakehouses were maintained to a reasonably good standard throughout the year.

Retail Shops

All the retail shops have been inspected during the year and found in a reasonably good condition.

Meat Shops and Meat Products

All shops and premises have been inspected during the period and found in good conditions.

Poultry

No poultry processing premises exist in the district. Routine checks are made of poultry displayed for sale, both fresh and frozen. Poultry has now become an important part of the food industry, due no doubt to the increase in price of fresh meat.

The Meat Inspection Regulations

Once again a 100% meat inspection record can be reported this year. The arrangements with the adjoining district for relief in times of sickness and holidays has again worked well. The meat killed locally continues to be of high quality.

Set out below is the statutory tabulation of the carcases and offal inspected

CARCASES AND OFFAL INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED IN WHOLE OR IN PART

	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed (if known)	-	-	-	156	-	-
Number inspected	-	-	-	156	-	-
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci Whole carcases condemned	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -
Carcases of which some or part organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Percentage of the number inspected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis only Whole carcases condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part of organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cysticerosis Carcases of which some part of organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	-	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-

Slaughterhouse Act, 1958

Only one slaughterhouse is licenced in the district and this isfor the killing of sheep and pigs only. The meat supplied is either from Louth or Skegness for fresh meats, with frozen and chilled meats coming from the recognised traders in this field.

Food Hygiene Regulations, 1970

As required by the Ministry of Health Circular 1/73, I set out details of food premises subject to the above Act, grouped in categories of trade.

(a)	Butchers	6
(b)	Greengrocers	6
(c)	Grocery Shops	28
(d)	Snack Bars	53
(e)	Hotels, Public Houses and Clubs	23
(f)	Sweet Shops	6
(g)	Bakery and Confectionery	7
(h)	Fish and Chip Shops	13

In presenting these facts the principal trade has been taken, although many of the shops are selling all types of food and other goods.

Food Hygiene (Market Stallsand Delivery Vehicles) Regulations

These regulations have been complied with throughout the district. There, is however, a tendancy for this type of trader to become slack in provisions of hot water etc., on the vehicles unless constant attention and reminders are sent to them.

Remarks

The supervision of all food premises and retail food outlets has continued throughout the year. At the beginning and towards the end of each summer season the owner of food premises are circulated with publicity material reminding them of their responsibility under the Food Hygiene Regulations. Particular reference is made each year to the need for proper and careful stock rotation. In spite of this, I still receive a number of complaints of mould in food.

With the quality of labour available, particularly in the seaside resorts, the message of stock control and food hygiene in particular is very difficult to get across.